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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 July 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-47 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-47 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 31 October 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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DETAILED ACTION

Remarks

1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed July 19th, 2006. Claims 1-47 are pending. In the amendment filed July 19th, 2006, Claims 1, 6, 10, 14-17, 21-23, 25-27, 30, 32-34, 38, 40, and 41 are amended, and Claims 1, 27, 34, and 38 are independent. The examiner acknowledges that no new matter was introduced and the claims are supported by the specification. This action is FINAL.

Response to Arguments

2. The Applicant's arguments filed July 19th, 2006 with respect to Claims 1-47 have been considered but are not persuasive.
3. As to the applicant's arguments with respect to Claims 1-13, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27-29 and 34-37 for there allegedly being a useful, concrete and tangible result, the examiner respectfully disagrees. This argument is discussed more in the section below regarding the '101 rejections.
4. As to the applicant's arguments with respect to Claims 1, 27 and 38 for the prior art(s) allegedly not teaching or suggesting "at least one normalized file storage server configured to store SDK component files of a plurality of SDK volumes, wherein at least one component file stored by the file storage server is shared by at least two of the plurality of SDK volumes," the examiner respectfully disagrees. Dockes teaches this at the cited sections of Dockes, col. 16, lines 57-61 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with

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Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49 and Dockes, col. 9, lines 15-19 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 28-32.

Dockes, col. 16, lines 57-61 meets the “normalized” adjective part of the limitation in that duplicates are not present in the server (as knowledge gained from the Applicant’s specification for what the applicant considers “normalized” to mean). The cited section of Dockes describes a program to run on the storage server to remove duplicates.

As for the “file storage server configured to store SDK component files of a plurality of SDK volumes” limitation, Dockes teaches this at Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49 as cited. Dockes teaches in those sections that there is a data server that stores all the files acquired from reading clients. Later, in Dockes, orders are then taken to make CDs from those stored files. This is the file storage server configured to store SDK component files of a plurality of SDK volumes.

Additionally, the new limitation of “wherein at least one component file stored by the file storage server is shared by at least two of the plurality of SDK volumes” is also met by Dockes, in that Dockes has support for creating multiple copies of the same CD (cited sections of Dockes, col. 9, lines 15-19 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 28-32). One created SDK holds the information from the file in temporary storage on the client, a copy of that SDK holds the same information from the same file still in temporary storage on the client. This is “wherein at least one component file stored by the file storage server is shared by at least two of the plurality of SDK volumes.”

5. As to the applicant's arguments with respect to Claims 1 and 27 for the prior art(s) allegedly not teaching or suggesting "a file extractor configured to copy SDK component files to the at least one normalized file storage server and determine for a particular SDK component file to be copied, whether the particular SDK component file is already stored by the file storage server and, if not, copy the particular SDK component file to the at least one normalized file storage server," the examiner respectfully disagrees. This is taught by Dockes and the newly combined reference Ito (Ito, col. 4, lines 13-19). Dockes teaches in section Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-37 a file extractor to copy files to the server (the reading client). Ito teaches in the cited section not storing a duplicate of a file if it is already stored.

As to the applicant's arguments with respect to Claim 34 for Ito allegedly not teaching or suggesting "for each of the plurality of SDK component files storing the SDK component file, if the SDK component file has not already been stored on a file storage server, on the file storage server; and, if the SDK component file has already been stored on the file storage server, sharing the SDK component file with the SDK volume and at least one other SDK volume" the examiner respectfully disagrees. Ito was not the only reference used in the rejection of this limitation. In response to applicant's arguments against the references individually, one cannot show nonobviousness by attacking references individually where the rejections are based on combinations of references. See *In re Keller*, 642 F.2d 413, 208 USPQ 871 (CCPA 1981); *In re Merck & Co.*, 800 F.2d 1091, 231 USPQ 375 (Fed. Cir. 1986).

As to the specific argument that Ito does not teach or suggest "if the SDK component file has already been stored on the file storage server, sharing the SDK component file with the SDK volume and at least one other SDK volume," the examiner respectfully agrees. This limitation, as shown below and explained above, has been met by Dockes.

6. As to the applicant's arguments with respect to Claims 1, 34, and 38 for there allegedly not a prima facie case of obviousness established because there is allegedly no suggestion or motivation in the references to combine the references, the examiner respectfully disagrees. These arguments are moot since the references combined have changed.

7. The other claims argued merely because of a dependency on a previously argued claim(s) in the arguments presented to the examiner, filed July 19th, 2006, are moot in view of the examiner's interpretation of the claims and art and are still considered rejected based on their respective rejections from the first Office action (parts of recited again below).

Response to Amendment

Information Disclosure Statement

8. The information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Specification

9. The lengthy specification has not been checked to the extent necessary to determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicant's cooperation is requested in correcting any errors of which applicant may become aware in the specification.

Drawings

10. In light of the applicant's respective arguments or respective amendments, the previous drawing objections to the drawings have been withdrawn.

Claim Objections

11. Claims 1, 30, and 32 are objected to because of the following informalities:
- a. Claim 1 has incorrect punctuation where it recites "volumes,;" in line 5.
 - b. Claims 30 and 32 list incorrect status identifiers. The current status identifier is "original," however the claims have been amended. Therefore, the current status identifier should be "currently amended." Any future correspondence should have the correct status identifiers included for all claims. For example, the above listed claims should have the status identifier of "previously presented" in any future correspondence (unless it is currently amended (again)).
- Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

12. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

13. Claims 1-13, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27-29 and 34-37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 1-13, 20, 21, 24, and 25 do not have the result of creating SDK volumes. Some dependent claims correct the 35 U.S.C. 101 rejections of the claims above, however, their limitations are not incorporated into the above claims since they depend from the currently rejected claims. The claims are rejected because they lack a useful, concrete, tangible result. Claims 27-29 and 34-37 share the same rejection as Claims 1-13, 20, 21, 24, and 25.

In summary, Claim 1 has a server that stores files, identifies files to be written (e.g. to CD), and shares those files between SDK volumes. However, nowhere does the claim actually complete the task outlined in the preamble of "producing a software distribution kit." Some dependent claims from Claim 1 (as shown above) share this rejection. Claims 27 and 34 and some of their dependent claims (as shown above) also share this rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

14. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

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(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

15. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

16. Claims 1, 4-6, 8, 9, 14, 16, 17, 20-22, 27, 34, 36, and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.).

For **Claim 1**, Dockes teaches: "A system for producing a software distribution kit (SDK) volume, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 16, lines 14-26] the SDK volume comprising a computer-readable medium storing a plurality of SDK component files, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 11-16] comprising:

- at least one normalized [Dockes, col. 16, lines 57-61] file storage server configured to store SDK component files of a plurality of SDK volumes,; [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49]

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- a database configured to identify the SDK component files of each SDK volume, [Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-37] wherein at least one SDK component file stored by at least one normalized file storage server is shared by at least two of the plurality of SDK volumes; [Dockes, col. 9, lines 15-19 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 28-32] and
- a file extractor configured to copy SDK component files to the at least one normalized file storage server" [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44].

Dockes discloses the above limitations but does not expressly teach:

- "and determine for a particular SDK component file to be copied, whether the particular SDK component file is already stored by the file storage server and, if not, copy the particular SDK component file to the at least one normalized file storage server."

With respect to Claim 1, an analogous art, Ito, teaches:

- "and determine for a particular SDK component file to be copied, whether the particular SDK component file is already stored by the file storage server and, if not, copy the particular SDK component file to the at least one normalized file storage server" [Ito, col. 4, lines 13-19].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Ito with Dockes because both inventions are directed towards storing data on a computer.

Ito would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes's invention because both inventions index their files they store. Dockes discloses a system and

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method for production of compact discs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information on a server, and writing CD's, however Dockes does not expressly disclose not storing the files to the storage server when they were previously stored there. Ito discloses an image storing apparatus comprising not storing duplicate files.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the storage method from Ito and install it into the file extraction of Dockes, thereby offering the obvious advantage of saving storage space on the server.

Claim 4 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 1, wherein: the database is configured to catalog the plurality of SDK volumes" [Dockes, col. 5, lines 12-18].

Claim 5 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 4, wherein: the database configured to catalog the plurality of SDK volumes is stored on a different computer than the database configured to identify the SDK component files of each SDK volume" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 55-61 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 37-47].

Claim 6 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 1, wherein the file extractor is further configured to copy SDK component files from a master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied SDK component files to the database" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 37-47 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 38-43 with Dockes, col. 2, lines 19-23 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 55-62].

Claim 8 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 6, wherein: the master SDK volume is a compact disc (CD)" [Dockes, col. 4, lines 37-44].

Claim 9 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 1, wherein the normalized file storage server is a replicating normalized file storage server" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-55 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 37-44].

Claim 14 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 1, further comprising: an SDK builder executed by a computer other than the at least one normalized file storage server and configured to copy SDK component files of a selected one of the SDK volumes from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to a writeable computer-readable medium" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 60-64 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Claim 16 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 14, wherein: the writeable computer-readable medium is a compact disc (CD)" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Claim 17 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 14, wherein: the writeable computer-readable medium is removable" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Claim 20 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 1, wherein:

- the SDK volume is one of a plurality of SDK volumes in an SDK volume set;
- [Dockes, col. 5, lines 12-18]

- the at least one normalized [Dockes, col. 16, lines 57-61] file storage server is configured to store SDK component files for each SDK volume of the SDK volume set; [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49] and
- the database is configured to identify each SDK volume of the SDK volume set” [Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-41 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 56-64].

Claim 21 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: “The system of claim 20, wherein the file extractor is further configured to, for each SDK volume of an SDK volume set, copy SDK component files from a master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied SDK component files to the database” [Dockes, col. 7, lines 37-47 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 38-43 with Dockes, col. 2, lines 19-23 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 55-62 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 56-64].

Claim 22 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: “The system of claim 20, further comprising: an SDK builder executed by a computer other than the at least one normalized file storage server and configured to, for each SDK volume of a selected SDK volume set, copy SDK component files of the SDK volume from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to a writeable computer-readable medium” [Dockes, col. 6, lines 60-64 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16 with Dockes, col. 19, lines 14-35].

Claim 27 encompasses substantially the same scope of the invention as that of Claim 1, in addition to a system and some means for performing the system elements of

Claim 1. Therefore, Claim 27 is rejected for the same reasons as stated above with respect to Claim 1.

For **Claim 34**, Dockes teaches: "A method for producing a software distribution kit (SDK) volume, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 16, lines 14-26] the SDK volume comprising a computer-readable medium storing a plurality of SDK component files, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 11-16] comprising:

- for each of the plurality of SDK component files storing the SDK component file on the file storage server; [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49] and, if the SDK component file has already been stored on the file storage server, sharing the SDK component file with the SDK volume and at least one other SDK volume; [Dockes, col. 9, lines 15-19 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 28-32] and
- storing in a database information correlating the stored SDK component files with the SDK volume" [Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-41].

Dockes discloses the above limitations but does not expressly teach:

- "if the SDK component file has not already been stored on a file storage server."

With respect to Claim 34, an analogous art, Ito, teaches:

- "if the SDK component file has not already been stored on a file storage server" [Ito, col. 4, lines 13-19].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Ito with Dockes because both inventions are directed towards storing data on a computer.

Ito would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes's invention because both inventions index their files they store. Dockes discloses a system and method for production of compact discs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes does not expressly disclose not storing the files to the storage server when they were previously stored there. Ito discloses an image storing apparatus comprising not storing duplicate files.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the storage method from Ito and install it into the invention of Dockes, thereby offering the obvious advantage of saving storage space on the server.

Claim 36 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The method of claim 34, wherein:

the SDK volume is one of a plurality of SDK volumes in an SDK volume set;
[Dockes, col. 5, lines 12-18] and

further comprising:

storing in the database information about each SDK volume of the SDK volume set" [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-41 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 56-64].

Claim 37 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The method of claim 34, further comprising: the stored SDK component files and the information correlating the stored SDK component files with the SDK volume header information on a second file storage server" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 56-59].

17. Claims 2, 3, 7, 15, 23-26, 28-30, and 35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,613,097 (Bates et al.).

For **Claim 2**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 1, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- "the at least one normalized file storage server is configured to store header information for ones of the plurality of SDK volumes; and
- the database is configured to identify header information for each SDK volume."

With respect to Claim 2, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- "the at least one normalized file storage server is configured to store header information for ones of the plurality of SDK volumes; [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 40-50] and
- the database is configured to identify header information for each SDK volume" [Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for

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production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

Claim 3 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) as follows: "The system of claim 2, wherein: the header information includes a root directory for a corresponding one of the plurality of SDK volumes" [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 11-37].

For **Claim 7**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 6, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- "the file extractor is configured to copy header information from the master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied header information to the database."

With respect to Claim 7, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- “the file extractor is configured to copy header information from the master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied header information to the database” [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 35-41 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 30-37].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

For **Claim 15**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 14, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach: "the SDK builder is configured to copy header information of the selected one of the SDK volumes from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to the writeable computer-readable medium."

With respect to Claim 15, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- "the SDK builder is configured to copy header information of the selected one of the SDK volumes from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to the writeable computer-readable medium" [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16 with Dockes, col. 5, lines 54-67].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory.

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Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

For **Claim 23**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 22, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- "the SDK builder is configured to, for each SDK volume of the selected SDK volume set, copy header information of the selected one of the SDK volumes from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to the writeable computer-readable medium."

With respect to Claim 23, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- "the SDK builder is configured to, for each SDK volume of the selected SDK volume set, copy header information of the selected one of the SDK volumes from one of the at least one normalized file storage server to the writeable computer-readable medium" [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16 with Dockes, col. 5, lines 54-67 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16 with Dockes, col. 19, lines 14-35].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

Claim 24 encompasses substantially the same scope of the invention as that of Claims 1-5. Therefore, Claim 24 is rejected for the same reasons as stated above with respect to Claims 1-5.

Claim 25 encompasses substantially the same scope of the invention as that of Claims 6 and 7. Therefore, Claim 25 is rejected for the same reasons as stated above with respect to Claims 6 and 7.

Claim 26 encompasses substantially the same scope of the invention as that of Claims 14 and 15. Therefore, Claim 26 is rejected for the same reasons as stated above with respect to Claims 14 and 15.

Claim 28 encompasses substantially the same scope of the invention as that of Claims 2 and 3, in addition to a system and some means for performing the system elements of Claims 2 and 3. Therefore, Claim 28 is rejected for the same reasons as stated above with respect to Claims 2-3.

Claim 29 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 28, further comprising: means for copying header information and SDK component files from a master SDK volume to the means for storing header information and the means for storing SDK component files; means for adding information identifying the copied SDK component files to the means for identifying the SDK component files" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 37-47 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 38-43 with Dockes, col. 2, lines 19-23 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 55-62 with Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 35-41 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 30-37].

Claim 30 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito) as follows: "The system of claim 29, further comprising: means for writing header information and SDK component files of a selected one of the SDK volumes from the means for storing header information and the means for storing SDK component files to a writeable computer-readable medium" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 60-64 with Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34

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with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16 with Dockes, col. 5, lines 54-67].

For **Claim 35**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The method of claim 34, further comprising:

- if header information about the SDK volume has not already been stored on the file storage server" [Ito, col. 4, lines 13-19].

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- "storing the header information on the file storage server, wherein the header information includes a root directory for the SDK volume; and
- storing in the database information correlating the stored header information with the SDK volume."

With respect to Claim 35, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- "storing the header information on the file storage server, [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 40-50] wherein the header information includes a root directory for the SDK volume; [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 11-37] and
- storing in the database information correlating the stored header information with the SDK volume" [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 40-50 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 33-41].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

18. Claims 10 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,205,40 (Kanome).

For **Claim 10**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 1, wherein the file extractor is further configured to copy SDK component files of a master

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SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied SDK component files to the database" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 37-47 with Dockes, col. 4, lines 38-43 with Dockes, col. 2, lines 19-23 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 55-62].

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitations but does not expressly teach: "from an image."

With respect to Claim 10, an analogous art, Kanome, teaches: "from an image" [Kanome, col. 3, lines 20-23 with Kanome, col. 7, lines 39-42].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Kanome with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards computer using files, file systems, and copying data.

Kanome's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers. Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose using disk images. Kanome discloses a computer system capable of restarting using a disk image of an arbitrary snapshot comprising disk images.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the disk images from Kanome and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of expanding the uses of Dockes onto different types of data (in this case, disk images being used). This could

be used in Dockes archival process (Dockes, col. 9, lines 44-58) for the ISO9660 images. This makes a system with more features and more user-friendly.

Claim 12 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) as follows:

"The system of claim 10, wherein: the master SDK volume is a compact disc (CD)"

[Dockes, col. 4, lines 37-44].

19. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,205,40 (Kanome), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,613,097 (Bates et al.).

For **Claim 11**, Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) teaches: "The system of claim 10, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach: "the file extractor is configured to copy header information from the image of the master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied header information to the database."

With respect to Claim 11, an analogous art, Bates, teaches: "the file extractor is configured to copy header information from the image of the master SDK volume to at least one of the at least one normalized file storage server and add information identifying the copied header information to the database" [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34]

with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 37-50 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 35-41 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 30-37].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome)'s invention because both inventions use computers and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

20. Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.) in

view of U.S. Patent No. 6,205,40 (Kanome), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,963,971 (Fosler et al.).

For **Claim 13**, Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) teaches: "The system of claim 10, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- "the master SDK volume is a digital versatile disc (DVD)."

With respect to Claim 13, an analogous art, Fosler, teaches:

- "the master SDK volume is a digital versatile disc (DVD)" [Fosler, col. 5, lines 15-20].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Fosler with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) because both inventions are directed towards removable mediums.

Fosler's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome)'s invention because both inventions use computers with removable mediums. Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome) does not expressly disclose DVD's. Fosler discloses a method and apparatus for handling audit requests of logical volumes in a virtual media server comprising DVD's.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the DVD's from Fosler and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito and Kanome), thereby offering the obvious advantage of expanding the uses of Dockes onto different types of media including media that can hold more information. This makes a system with more features and more user-friendly.

21. Claims 18 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,920,725 (Ma et al.).

For **Claim 18**, Dockes (as modified by Ito) teaches: "The system of claim 14, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach: "the SDK builder is downloadable to the computer and configured to extend capabilities of a browser."

With respect to Claim 18, an analogous art, Ma, teaches: "the SDK builder is downloadable to the computer and configured to extend capabilities of a browser" [Ma, col. 1, lines 23-34].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Ma with Dockes (as modified by Ito) because both inventions are directed towards executing program(s) on a computer to do tasks.

Ma's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito)'s invention because both inventions use computers doing work.

Dockes (as modified by Ito) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito) does not expressly disclose that the program writing CD's is an ActiveX controller downloaded to extend capabilities of a browser. Ma discloses a run-time object-synthesis and transparent client/server updating of distributed objects using a meta server of all object descriptors comprising ActiveX components (thin clients) on a browser.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the ActiveX and browser from Ma and install them into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito), thereby offering the obvious advantage of using the browser standards to easily distribute writing tasks to clients. This also adds the advantage of the ordering users themselves being able to write the CD's using the WEB ordering scheme of Dockes when the clients ordering are used as writing clients in Dockes (Dockes, col. 6, lines 25-31 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 18-21).

Claim 19 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito and Ma) as follows: "The system of claim 18, wherein: the SDK builder is an ActiveX component" [Ma, col. 1, lines 23-34].

22. Claims 31-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,822,083 (Ito et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,613,097 (Bates et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,920,725 (Ma et al.).

For **Claim 31**, Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) teaches: "The system of claim 30, wherein."

Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach: "the means for writing is an ActiveX component."

With respect to Claim 31, an analogous art, Ma, teaches: "the means for writing is an ActiveX component" [Ma, col. 1, lines 23-34].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Ma with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) because both inventions are directed towards executing program(s) on a computer to do tasks.

Ma's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates)'s invention because both inventions use computers doing work. Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates) does not expressly disclose that the program writing CD's is an ActiveX controller downloaded to extend capabilities of a browser. Ma discloses a run-time object-synthesis and transparent client/server updating of distributed objects using a meta server of all object descriptors comprising ActiveX components (thin clients) on a browser.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the ActiveX and browser from Ma and install them into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Ito and Bates), thereby offering the obvious advantage of using

the browser standards to easily distribute writing tasks to clients. This also adds the advantage of the ordering users themselves being able to write the CD's using the WEB ordering scheme of Dockes when the clients ordering are used as writing clients in Dockes (Dockes, col. 6, lines 25-31 with Dockes, col. 8, lines 18-21).

Claim 32 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito, Bates, and Ma) as follows: "The system of claim 31, wherein: the writeable removable computer-readable medium is a compact disc (CD) " [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Claim 33 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Ito, Bates, and Ma) as follows: "The system of claim 31, wherein: the writeable removable computer-readable medium is removable" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

23. Claims 38 and 44-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,831,950 (Furukawa et al.).

For **Claim 38**, Dockes teaches: "A method for producing a software distribution kit (SDK) volume, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 16, lines 14-26] the SDK volume comprising a computer-readable medium storing a plurality of SDK component files, [Dockes, col. 19, lines 48-53 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 11-16] comprising:

- copying the plurality of SDK component files from a file storage server, [Dockes, col. 4, lines 36-44 with Dockes, col. 6, lines 45-49] wherein at least one component file stored by the file storage server is shared by at least two of the

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plurality of SDK volumes; [Dockes, col. 9, lines 15-19 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 28-32] and

- writing to a writeable computer-readable medium" [Dockes, col. 6, lines 60-64 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Dockes discloses the above limitations but does not expressly teach:

- "creating an image of the SDK volume from the copied SDK component files;
- the image."

With respect to Claim 38, an analogous art, Furukawa, teaches:

- "creating an image of the SDK volume from the copied SDK component files; [Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60]
- the image." [Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Furukawa with Dockes because both inventions are directed towards writing data on a computer medium.

Furukawa would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes's invention because both inventions use computers write data on a computer medium. Dockes discloses a system and method for production of compact discs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes does not expressly disclose that images are created prior to producing the CD. Furukawa discloses a writing system for recordable compact disc storing information of a writing operation comprising creating disc images for creating CD's.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the images from Furukawa and install them into the invention of Dockes, thereby offering the obvious advantage of making sure writing begins when the data is prepared in Dockes (images) so that less potential error may happen. This makes a system that is less prone to error.

Claim 44 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) as follows: "The method of claim 38, wherein:

- the SDK volume is one of a plurality of SDK volumes in an SDK volume set; [Dockes, col. 5, lines 12-18] and
- further comprising:
- performing the copying, creating and writing for each SDK volume of the SDK volume set. [Dockes, col. 16, lines 20-29 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

Claim 45 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) as follows: "The method of claim 38, further comprising:

- sending information about the SDK volume to an SDK production server; [Dockes, col. 9, lines 4-13] and wherein:
- the copying, creating and writing are performed by the SDK production server" [Dockes, col. 19, lines 12-23 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-20 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

Claim 46 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) as follows: "The method of claim 38, wherein:

- the SDK volume is one of a plurality of SDK volumes in an SDK volume set;
[Dockes, col. 5, lines 12-18]
- and further comprising:
- sending information about the SDK volume set to an SDK production server;
[Dockes, col. 9, lines 4-18] and wherein:
- the copying, creating and writing are performed by the SDK production server for each SDK volume of the SDK volume set” [Dockes, col. 19, lines 12-23 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-20 with Dockes, col. 16, lines 20-29 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

Claim 47 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) as follows: “The method of claim 38, further comprising:

- sending the image of the SDK volume to an SDK production server; [Dockes, col. 9, lines 4-18 with Dockes, col. 9, lines 44-52 with Furukawa col. 1, lines 51-60]
- and wherein:
- the writing is performed by the SDK production server” [Dockes, col. 19, lines 12-23 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-20 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

24. Claims 39-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,831,950 (Furukawa et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,613,097 (Bates et al.).

For **Claim 39**, Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) teaches: “The method of claim 38, further comprising.”

Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach:

- “copying header information for the SDK volume from the file storage server, wherein the header information includes a root directory for the SDK volume;
- and wherein the creating an image comprises:
- creating an image of the SDK volume from the copied header information and the copied SDK component files.”

With respect to Claim 39, an analogous art, Bates, teaches:

- “copying header information for the SDK volume from the file storage server, [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 40-50 with Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16] wherein the header information includes a root directory for the SDK volume; [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Dockes, col. 11, lines 11-37]
- and wherein the creating an image comprises:
- creating an image of the SDK volume from the copied header information and the copied SDK component files” [Bates, col. 6, lines 28-34 with Bates, Fig. 4 with Bates, col. 5, lines 40-50 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Bates with Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) because both inventions are directed towards cataloging media.

Bates's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Furukawa)'s invention because both inventions use computers

and a catalog database. Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) does not expressly disclose identifying or storing header information including a root directory. Bates discloses a method of cataloging removable media on a computer comprising cataloging header information including a root file.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the header information including a root directory from Bates and install it into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Furukawa), thereby offering the obvious advantage of the database knowing the content of the media so that the media does not need to be inserted (unless needed) for the system to know what is on it.

Claim 40 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa and Bates) as follows: "The method of claim 39, wherein: the writeable computer-readable medium is a compact disc (CD)" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

Claim 41 can be mapped to Dockes (as modified by Furukawa and Bates) as follows: "The method of claim 39, wherein: the writeable computer-readable medium is removable" [Dockes, col. 7, lines 12-16].

For **Claim 42**, Dockes (as modified by Furukawa and Bates) fails to teach selecting the file storage server based on a location of the file storage server. Official Notice is taken that it is old and well known in the client/server to get the advantage of downloading faster files by selecting the file storage server based on a location of the file storage server. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the

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time of the invention to include the selecting the file storage server based on a location of the file storage server to get this advantage.

25. Claim 43 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,011,758 (Dockes et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,831,950 (Furukawa et al.), further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,920,725 (Ma et al.).

For **Claim 43**, Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) teaches: "The method of claim 38, further comprising."

Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) discloses the above limitation but does not expressly teach: "downloading an SDK builder that performs the copying and creating."

With respect to Claim 43, an analogous art, Ma, teaches: "downloading an SDK builder that performs the copying and creating" [Ma, col. 1, lines 23-34 with Dockes, col. 16, lines 20-29 with Furukawa, col. 1, lines 50-60].

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to combine Ma with Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) because both inventions are directed towards executing program(s) on a computer to do tasks.

Ma's invention would have been expected to successfully work well with Dockes (as modified by Furukawa)'s invention because both inventions use computers doing work. Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) discloses a system and method for production of compact discs holding SDKs on demand comprising reading CD's, storing their information, and writing CD's, however Dockes (as modified by Furukawa) does not expressly disclose that the program writing CD's is an ActiveX controller downloaded to

extend capabilities of a browser. Ma discloses a run-time object-synthesis and transparent client/server updating of distributed objects using a meta server of all object descriptors comprising ActiveX components (thin clients) on a browser.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to take the ActiveX and browser from Ma and install them into the invention of Dockes (as modified by Furukawa), thereby offering the obvious advantage of using the browser standards to easily distribute writing tasks to clients.

26. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Conclusion

27. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brent S. Stace whose telephone number is 571-272-8372 and fax number is 571-273-8372. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9am-5:30pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeffrey A. Gaffin can be reached on 571-272-4146. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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